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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejection and entry of this Amendment.

In the Specification:

Please replace the second paragraph at page 1 with the following:

Hemophilia A is defined as hereditary deficiency of blood coagulation fVIII. fVIII is synthesized as a ≈300 kDa single chain protein with internal sequence homology that defines the "domain" sequence NH₂-A1-A2-B-A3-C1-C2-COOH (Fig. 1). Domains are commonly delineated as A1 (Ala1-Arg372), A2 (Ser373-Arg740), B (Ser741-Arg1648), and A3-C1-C2 (Ser1690-Tyr2332). Despite its large size, the B domain of fVIII has no known function and can be deleted. fVIII is